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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-1-509, to establish qualifications for the office of assessor of property.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-1-509, is amended by deleting subsection (d) and substituting instead the following:

(d)

- (1) Candidates for the office of assessor of property must have resided in the county at least one (1) year and must have attained a high school education or general equivalency diploma.
- (2) In addition to the foregoing qualifications, except in counties having a population exceeding two hundred fifty thousand (250,000) according to the most recent federal census, candidates for assessor of property must pass an examination administered by the state division of property assessments on Tennessee property tax law and assessment fundamentals.
- (3) Candidates shall file evidence of compliance with these qualifications with the state coordinator of elections in such form as that office may require not

later than fourteen (14) days prior to the qualifying deadline for candidates in the election. The state coordinator of elections shall certify to the county election commission that a candidate's qualifications are acceptable prior to the candidate's name being placed on the ballot, and such certificate of qualification must be filed with a candidate's qualifying petition prior to the qualifying deadline.

(4) The county election commission shall publish notice of the foregoing qualifications in a newspaper of general circulation in the county at least sixty(60) days prior to the qualifying deadline for either the primary or general election.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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